

## House Resolution 615

By: Representatives Jackson of the 161<sup>st</sup>, Bryant of the 160<sup>th</sup>, and Bordeaux of the 162<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Reverend Harold Baker; and for other purposes
- 2 WHEREAS, Reverend Harold Baker, Pastor Emeritus of Second Ebenezer Missionary  
3 Baptist Church, Inc. in Savannah, Georgia, retired on September 30, 2003, after 35 years of  
4 strong and faithful leadership; and
- 5 WHEREAS, under his leadership at Second Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, the church  
6 grew in membership and in its ministries; and
- 7 WHEREAS, his progressive Christian beliefs moved the fellowship into innovative areas of  
8 evangelism, education, and social ministry; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he was instrumental in the establishment of the Second Ebenezer Day Care  
10 Center, Inc., one of the oldest continuously operated day care centers in the City of  
11 Savannah; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Pastor Baker delivered God's Word to many and he recognized the importance  
13 of learning, teaching, and making God's Word relevant in the Christian's daily life; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he serves as a mentor to young pastors and preachers throughout the State of  
15 Georgia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was one of the founding members of the New Era Missionary Baptist  
17 Convention of Georgia, Inc. more than 40 years ago; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he is a veteran of the Korean Conflict, a retired postman, past director of  
19 Opportunities Industrial Center, and CEO of the Harold Ruth Corporation; and

1 WHEREAS, he and his wife Ruth have been married for more than 50 years and are the  
2 parents of one son, Lorenzo, and one daughter, Melissa; the grandparents of three grandsons;  
3 and the great grandparents of two.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body honor and commend Reverend Harold Baker for a long and  
6 distinguished career of service to God and to mankind and convey their respect and gratitude  
7 to him.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Harold Baker.